

HOUSE No. 296

By Mr. Rodrigues of Westport, a petition (accompanied by bill, House, No. 296) of Michael J. Rodrigues that banks be prohibited from charging fees for cashing or processing a check that has been drawn on said bank. Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Michael J. Rodrigues

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relative to check cashing fees .

PETITION OF:

NAME:

Michael J. Rodrigues

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

8th Bristol

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year Two Thousand and Nine

AN ACT RELATIVE TO CHECK CASHING FEES .

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 167 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is
2 hereby amended by inserting after section 48, the following:-

3 Section 49. Every bank doing business in the commonwealth, which for the purposes of this section shall
4 include any bank as defined in section one and shall include any national bank, national banking
5 association, federal savings bank, federal savings and loan association, and federal credit union, shall be
6 prohibited from charging any fee to a consumer for the purposes of cashing or processing a check that has
7 been drawn on said bank. Each individual violation shall be subject to a fine not to exceed \$100.